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TO: ALL PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANIES AND RATING

ORGANIZATIONS MAKING RATE, RULE, OR FORM FILINGS IN

LOUISIANA

RE: ACT 1022 OF THE 1993 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA

LEGISLATURE

This bulletin is to inform you that the above-referenced Act (copy attached) was passed, to be effective August 15, 1993. Points of clarification are as follows:

- Rate <u>changes</u> cannot be implemented more than once in a twelve (12) month period (i.e. at least twelve (12) months must lapse between the effective dates of rate changes).
- Rate <u>filings</u> can be made to the Louisiana Insurance Rating Commission (LIRC) more frequently than twelve (12) month intervals; however, the approved <u>effective date</u> of the filing must be no less than twelve (12) months from the approved effective date of the last rate change.
- Any rule change which results in a rate change for any classification will be considered a rate change.
- The twelve (12) month period between effective dates is not applicable to rate changes which are disapproved by LIRC.
- Automatic premium adjustments built into a rating plan are not considered rate changes subject to this Act.
- Industry organizations filing loss cost changes (such as ISO, NCCI, etc.) are exempt from this Act.
- Rate changes due to other legislation mandating changes of rates per classification are exempt from this Act (e.g. Acts 816 and 872 (1984) - Fifty-five (55) Alive discount).

Attachment

HOUSE BILL NO. 380

APPROVED:

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIMOS AND SENATOR CRAVINS

AN ACT

- To enact R.S. 22:1401(J), relative to the Louisiana Insurance Rating Commission; to provide that an insurer may not apply to the commission for a rate change more than once in a twelve-month period for any risk classification; and to provide for related matters.
- Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
- Section 1. R.S. 22:1401(J) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
 - \$1401. Louisiana Insurance Rating Commission; creation, membership, selection, compensation, powers, duties, and functions; budgetary control; use of funds

. . .

J. No insurer may apply to the commission for a rate change more than once per risk classification in any twelve-month period, unless the modification of the proposed rate is disapproved by the commission.

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